

Madrid, Oct. 22, 1880

My dear Watson,

By the time this reaches you, I suppose you will be in Cambridge, & I long to know what you have done. Goodbye will give you news of us, and Jackson perhaps mine. <sup>(Corythoichthys revises)</sup>

A pleasant fortnight at Kimp, almost a week in Paris, and then the journey down the Loire to Orléans & Tours, & on to Bourges and here, stopping only at Bourges. We have had almost a week here, & leave to-night for Toledo, then on to Cordova, Seville, Granada, &c. We have left behind all old weather, find Madrid even rather too warm than cold. We have enjoyed much.

The Menhaden here does not help us much; possibly long records among un-  
canned things, might yield a little more but I have done what I could in the time. The types of Cavanilles *Scarus* & of his *Disa*, are mostly more fairly well preserved & carefully ticketed. Very many things of Me - who went everywhere - and a good many of Moirino Herre (only one or two found from California & one - a *holole-  
rium* - said to be from *Mutha* - but all unnamed or with unprintable or guessing names. Nothing has been done here, not an American plant named since Cavanilles or perhaps Laguna - tho' I am not certain; I need named by them.

I send you a few notes, for preservation, in case my note book is lost. ~~Especially~~  
I select only the most important.

*Mahoe miniata*, Cav. really comes from  
Buenos-Ayres. The wild specimen, clearly  
seen in the pl. H. Mart. 1785, & put into it  
by Cav. is "e cerro Pampos de Buenos Ayres",  
was cult. from 1806, & 1825, & later  
years. "Chile see same." It is the  
common & rather poly morphous Buenos-  
Ayres & Chilean species.

*Virgilia secundiflora*, Cav. is exactly  
the *Siphora secundiflora* species of  
Tuckers.

*Clematis unguiculosa*, Cav. = the Texas  
pretty large form, larger than the  
common Texas. - like the figure. - Spec.  
cult. & a wild one "A cupules"

*Gaura tripartita*, Cav. = ours <sup>or Texas</sup>  
nob. fruit.

*Gaura mutabilis*, Cav. = a real  
Gaura, by the fruit, like the plate.  
The fruit is that of Gaura inside.  
I have never seen it elsewhere

*Asclepias mexicana*, Cav. = our  
plant of Calif. &

*A. virgata*, Lag.! Halladr. 1806  
- 1817 = *A. linearis*, Nutt. the one  
I thought in Syn. Fl.

*A. linearis*, Cav.! Yes, in fruit also!

"*Nicotiana axillaris*" <sup>novius & orn.</sup>  
no. 1781: the only one in the herb. &  
this, but, must be the original of  
*N. ipomoeifera* DC. Nutt. & is the  
one I have so called in Fl. & C.

*Mimelia glutinosa*, i.e. *Aster glau-*  
*tinosa*, Cav. is from Arica, Peru.  
Also H. Mart. 1792: "a Mexico"  
but I doubt Mexico = glutinosa.  
The other *Mimelia* are here.

*Gutierrezia*  
*Solidago* & *Calif. N. C.* } not found

This is all that need be  
noted now.

Great haste show  
them to Day; King, queen &  
baby going to church in state,  
by our windows,

Yours ever  
A. Gray

Till you or Goddard hear again  
address Care Hottelinger & Cie,  
Rue de Provence  
Provence, Paris.